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SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE STRUCTURE AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of April 122 and the above-identified application as follows: please amend the above-identified application as follows to the official nection of April 12,

IN THE CLAIMS:

## Amend claim 1 as follows:

--1. (amended) A structure for a semiconductor device, provided with a contact plug, which is formed by forming a contact hole through a first interlayer insulating film on a silicon substrate and by filling the contact hole with silicon, comprising:

a silicide pad formed on the top surface of the silicon contact plug in a self-aligning manner with said silicon contact plug and having a diameter which is larger than that of the silicon contact plug;